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Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for switching between a browser mode and a video mode in a standalone CD-ROM video system for playing a CD-ROM disk video having a plurality of video clips, the method comprising the steps of:

loading, in the browser mode, data segment of a browser program into a memory for use by a user to browse contents of the video representative of the video clips;

selecting, within while in the browser mode, a one of the video clips by browsing the contents of the video for playback;

storing a return address for the browser mode in the memory, in response to the selecting step;

switching from the browser mode to a the video mode, in response to the selecting step;

displacing the data segment of the browser program in the memory with a video bitstream representative of the video clip;

playing the selected video clip from the memory in the video mode; and

retrieving the return address for the browser mode from the memory after the playing step; and

returning to the browser mode according to the return address to enable the user to resume the browsing of the contents of the video representative of the content of the CD-